

# COUNTY OF YORK

## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** January 3, 2006 (BOS Mtg. 1/17/06)

**TO:** York County Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** James O. McReynolds, County Administrator

**SUBJECT:** NACo Prescription Drug Discount Card



Attached for your consideration is information regarding the National Association of Counties (NACo) Prescription Drug Discount Card Program. This Program provides citizens an opportunity to receive a discount on prescription drugs that are not covered by other insurance.

For York County to offer the NACo Prescription Drug Discount Card requires the County to sign a contract with Advance PCS Health, L.P., a subsidiary of Caremark, Rx, Inc. The contract commits the County to support and market the program. While there are no direct costs to the County associated with implementing the program, there are costs associated with staff time to support, market, and promote the program.

The Special Programs Division of Community Services is anxious to offer this service to County residents, and the Department Director believes that there is sufficient staff capacity to do so. If authorized by the Board, the Program would be marketed through press releases, Citizen's news, Channel 46, the county website, newsletters, flyers, and partnering agencies that promote services to York County citizens. The Prescription Discount Drug Cards would be distributed at our health centers, libraries, the senior center, social services, and County offices.

The Virginia Association of Counties has provided information regarding participation in the program by other localities. Essex, Richmond, Westmoreland, Charles City, and Surry Counties have approved participation in the program. Caroline, Cumberland, Fairfax, Prince William, Rockingham, Mathews, James City, and Gloucester Counties are considering adoption of the program.

I recommend adoption of proposed Resolution R06-6 authorizing York's participation in the NACo Prescription Drug Discount Card Program.

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**Attachments:**

- NACo Prescription Drug Discount Program Summary
- Proposed Resolution R06-6